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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

We support broadband competition and competitive deployment.

This will be destroyed if you approve the petition by AT&T, US Telecom. etc. to take away access by local area ISP's to critical unbundled network elements--the critical last-mile copper and inter-city fiber connections.

Local broadband providers would be destroyed by such a decision and many tens of thousands of their users will be effectively denied quality affordable access to the Internet.

PLEASE DENY THE AT&T PETITION!!!

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